

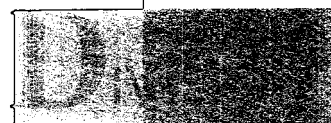
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PHOTOGRAPHIC INTELLIGENCE REPORT

HA TOU NAVAL SUPPORT FACILITY
HA TOU, NORTH VIETNAM

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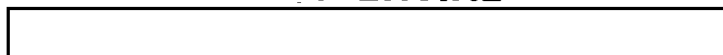
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FIGURE 1



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SUMMARY

This study is based upon a review of available photo coverage of the Ha Tou Naval Support Facility for the period [REDACTED]

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The Ha Tou Naval Support Facility is located approximately 3.5 nm east of Hon Gay at 20 56N-107 09E. The facility is situated within a natural bay and, when completed, will be second in size to Phu Cac Ba (21 43N-107 02E) among the small ports in the island chain (Archipel Des Fai Tsi Long) south of Hon Gay.

The dredging activity observed combined with the probable construction of one or more quays at the facility suggests future construction of wharfs or piers as berthing facilities. The buildings observed are single-story structures similar to those commonly associated with storage and billeting functions in North Vietnam. Since the facility is still in the early phase of construction, the type and number of vessels which will eventually be accommodated cannot yet be determined.

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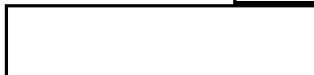
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A.



The Ha Tou Naval Support Facility consists of six scattered buildings. The area shows very little activity, and no construction equipment is observed. Several sampans are anchored near shore (see Figure 2).

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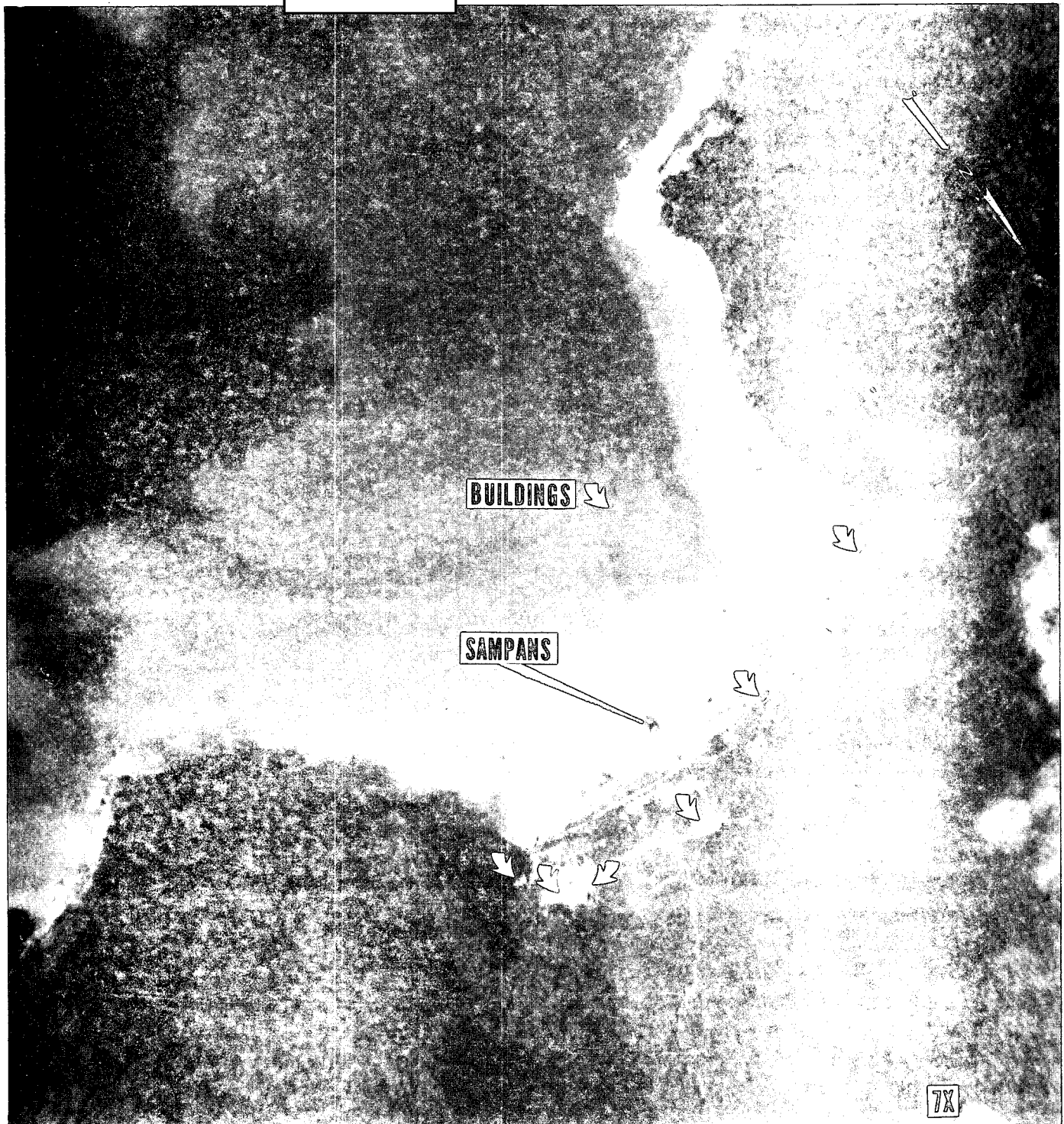


FIGURE 2

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B.

The Ha Tou Naval Support Facility consists of 17 buildings, an increase of 11 buildings in five months.

The area shows a significant increase in activity. Dredging of the bay is underway, and a new road has been constructed along the shore line east of the facility linking it with a large storage area. A pile of concrete blocks has been dumped near the shore and a filling operation appears to be taking place at the eastern edge of the installation. A floating jib crane is also located in this area; however, its purpose there is not known (see Figure 3).

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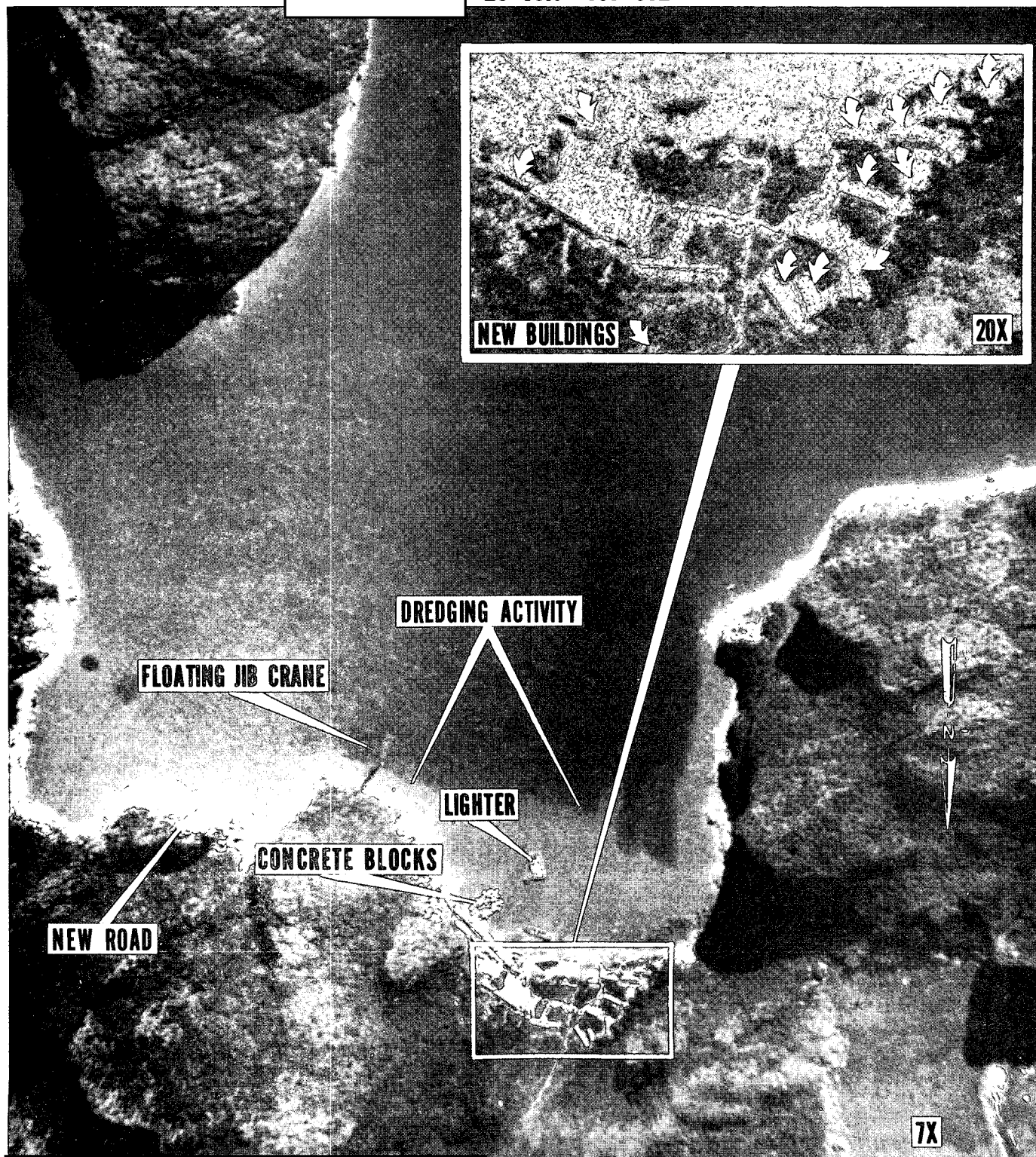


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c. [REDACTED]

The Ha Tou Naval Support Facility consists of 21 buildings, an increase of 4 buildings in [REDACTED] time.

The area shows a decrease in overall activity except for the addition of another pile of concrete blocks. No construction or dredging activity was observed (see Figure 4).

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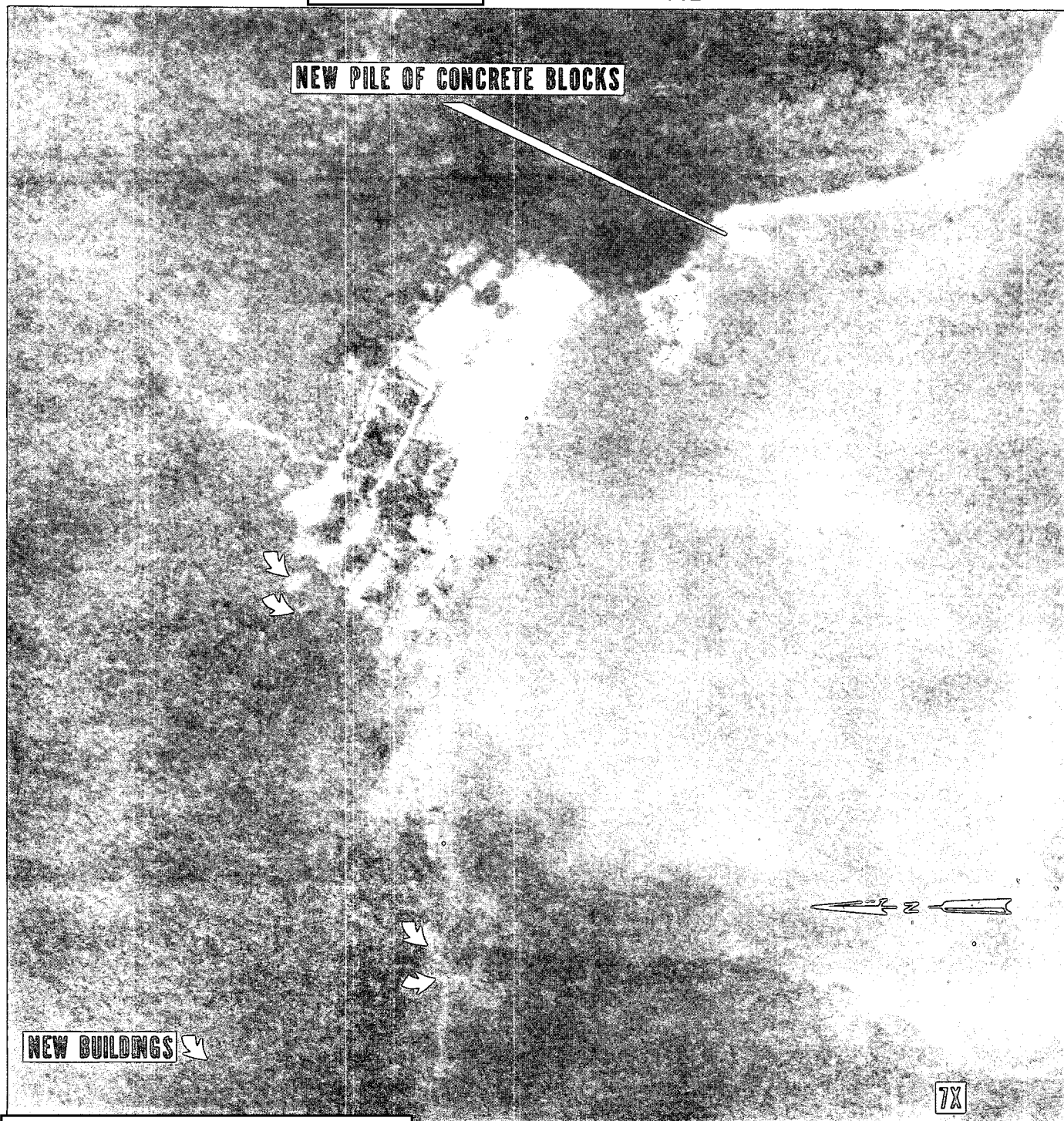


FIGURE 4

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D.

The Ha Tou Naval Support Facility consists of 25 buildings, an increase of 4 buildings in six months time. These buildings comprise a possible storage area.

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The facility shows an increase in activity

The number of concrete blocks has increased, and two floating shearleg cranes are present. The dredging activity has deepened a large area in the bay, and it appears the dredging is complete. Filling operations in the area on the eastern edge of the installation also appear to be complete.

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In general the activity appears to be in a state of transition between basic preparation of the area and construction of the particular port facilities (see Figure 5).

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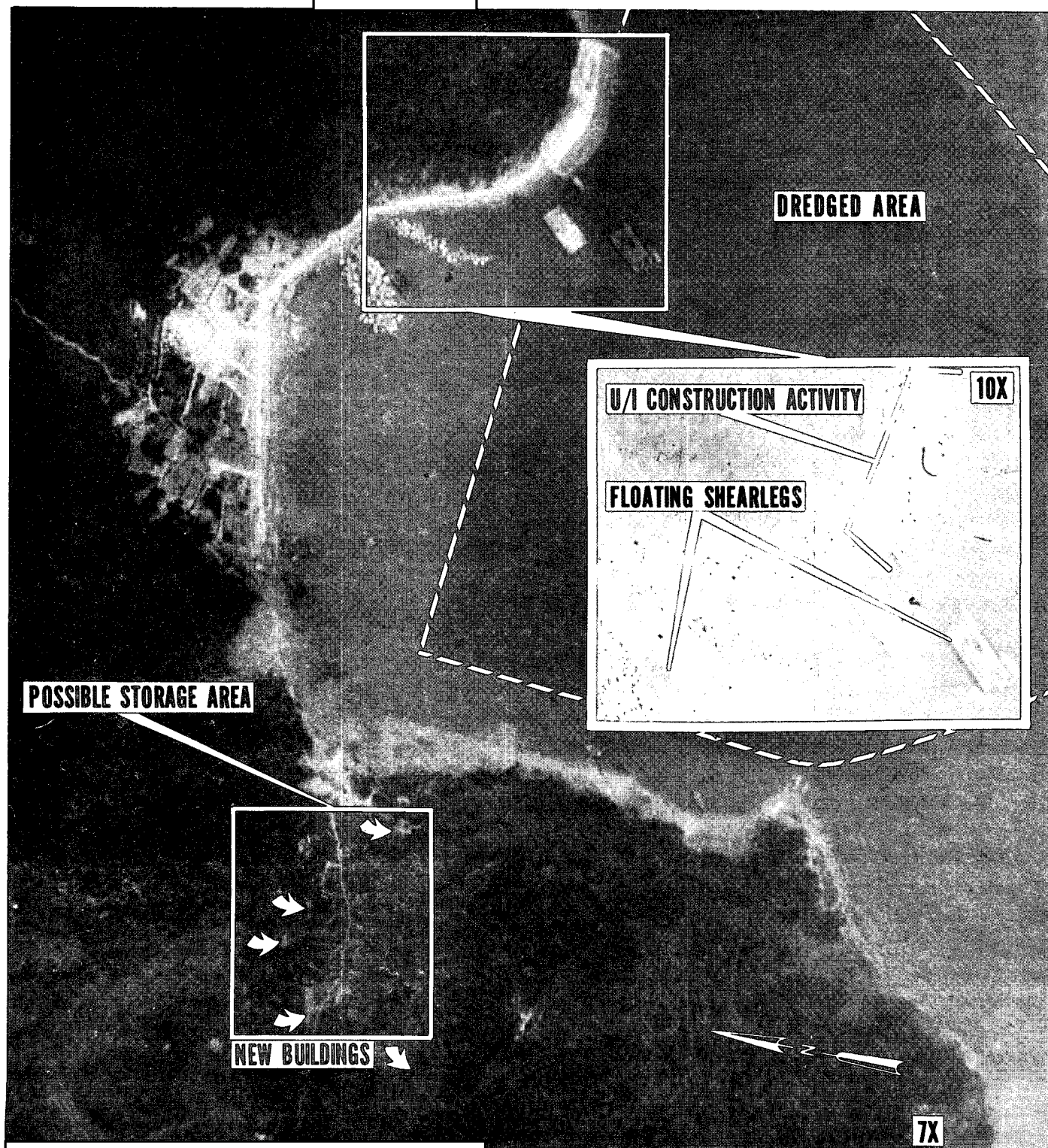


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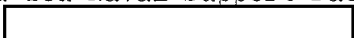
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E.



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The Ha Tou Naval Support Facility shows no change in the number of buildings 

The area shows an increase in activity which appears to be related to construction of the port facilities. The shore line in the western edge of the installation has been straightened and has the appearance of a quay. The area east of the installation, in which filling had occurred, appears to be ready for construction. A floating shearleg crane and a barge are being used to move the concrete blocks to this area. The exact use to be made of these blocks is as yet undetermined (see Figure 6).

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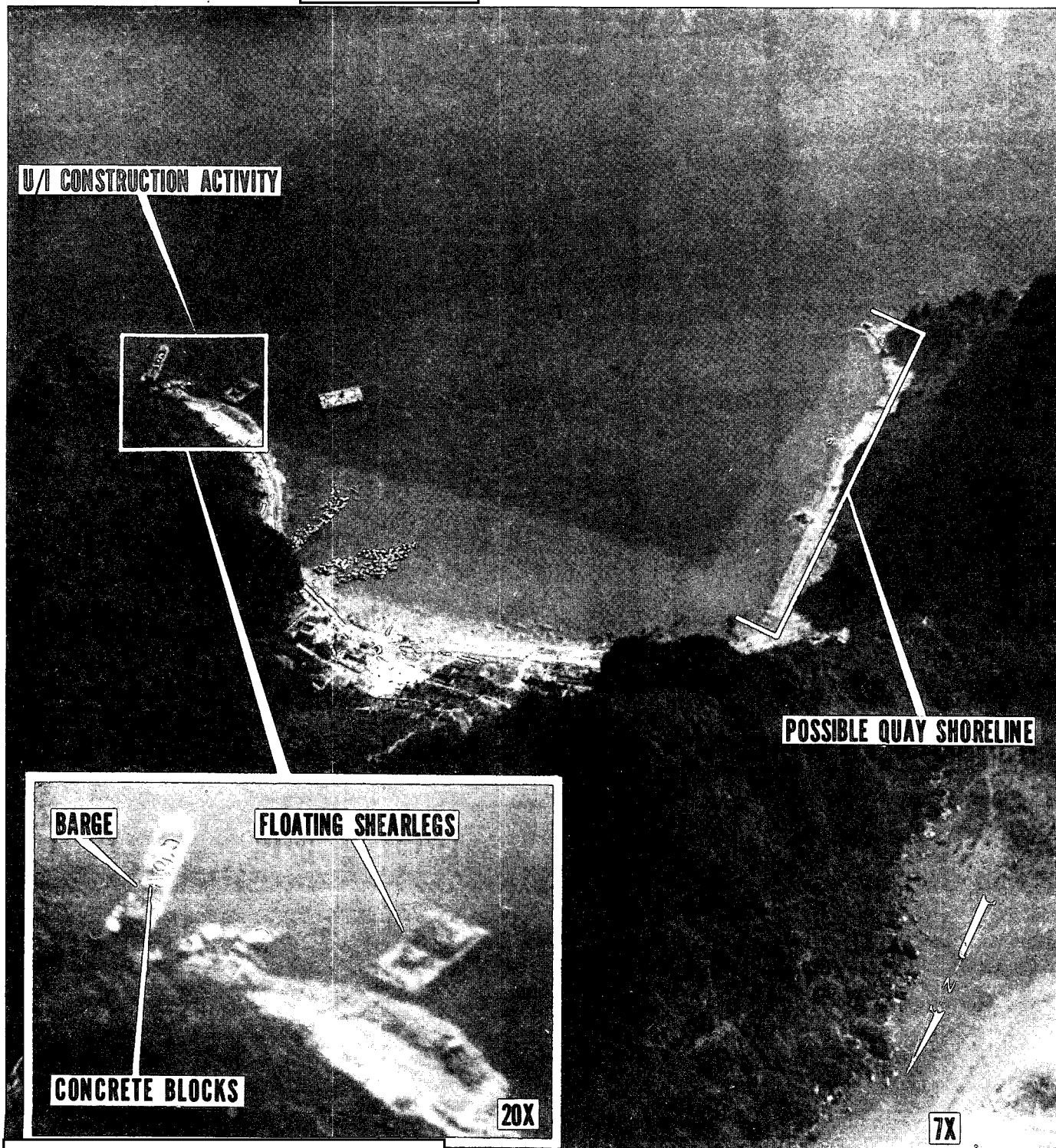


FIGURE 6

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SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY

NUMBER OF NEW BUILDINGS

ACTIVITY

11 buildings

New road into area.
Concrete blocks dumped in area.
Dredging and filling operations underway.

4 buildings

New pile of concrete blocks.

4 buildings

Increase in number of concrete blocks.
Dredging and filling operations complete.

None

Possible quay shore line and initial construction in filled area.

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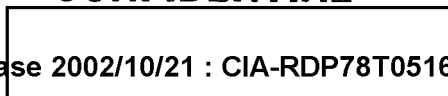
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